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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR INTERNAL EXHAUST GAS
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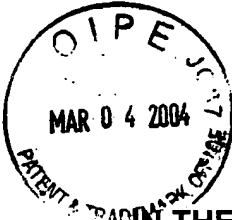
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced application prior to examination as indicated below. The amendment to the specification begins on page 2 of this paper. Applicant's remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.